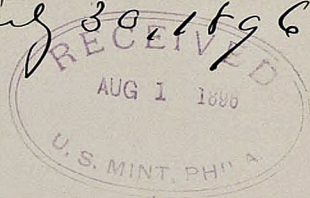


138 West 87th St-

New York Aug 30 1896

Supt. of the Mint-
Phil^a.

My dear Sir-

I have been a mining man in Arizona for 30 years. & produced a great deal of Silver but never had an ounce coined. Always sold it in the open market for what it would fetch.

Now if I produce 100,000 ounces of silver - say 998 fine & silver is 70 cents an ounce & I sell for that price I get Seventy thousand dollars. 70,000. But if free and unlimited coinage prevails & I send my 70,000 ounces to the Mint to be coined at the present mint-rate or standard

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how many standard dollars
would the Mint return to me
for my one hundred thousand
(100,000) ounces of silver?

I was a member of the 49th Congress
from Arizona: an out & out
Republican elected from a
Democratic Territory, and while
I hate to trouble you, if you
will be good enough to give
me this information & I ever
catch you in Arizona, you shall
have the best saddle animal
a man ever rode, you shall have
Bacon & Beans & Flat jacks (like
those your mother made) until
you are full - I will meet
you from the Grand Canon
of the Colorado to Castle Dome,

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And into old Mexico if you
say the word - and it shan't
cost you a silver.

I am a silver man for money.
but - against the free & unlimited
coinage of silver; I don't want
a depreciated currency nor a
mutilated dollar, nor do I wish
that my individual interests
should weigh in the balance at
all against the general good
& the general welfare.

Yours very truly
C. C. Bean

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You would be entitled to all the Silver
in your deposit in the form of coin - less
a slight charge for the Copper which the Mint
must furnish to bring your silver to coin fineness.

Your 100,000 oz at 998 Fin would contain

99.800 of pure silver	99.800 oz.
\$129,031.42 contains pure silver	99.800 "

You would therefore be entitled to \$129,031.42

Less charge for alloy copper furnished	221.77
Net proceeds	\$ 128,809.65

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[Enclosed note:]

No. 17. Treasury Department

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